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This nice building was started by Rev. W. C. Kennedy and completed by Rev. T. D. Toler. God is blessing the church at present under the leadership of Rev. Max L. Atkins and their plans are to refinish the auditorium and put in a new heating plant and Sunday School rooms.

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**B.T.S. AND COLLEGE CLOSSES
SUCCESSFUL YEAR**

- May 18 Baccalaureate Address
by U. D. Tidwell . 10:30 a.m.
- May 19 Glee Club Concert
and Dramatic Reading
Contest 8:00 p.m.
- May 20 Senior Class Play,
"Star in the East" . 8:00 p.m.
- May 21 Alumni Meeting . 8:00 a.m.
- Class Day Exercises 10:00 a.m.
- Singing Convention 2:00 p.m.
- Alumni Barbecue . 5:00 p.m.
- Senior Class Play 8:00 p.m.
- May 22 Commencement Exercises:
Commencement Address, by Dr. Fred C. Smith, Dean of the University of Tennessee . . . 10:00 a.m.

NOTICES

I shall be on the air over WESC, Greenville, S. C., 660 on your dial, a powerful station, starting Monday, May 12, through Friday, from 6:30 to 7 a.m., EST. Please tune in and drop us a card. PLEASE, PLEASE, PLEASE don't fail us. Your mail will determine our continuation on the air.—Earl P. Paulk.

Address all mail to the new clerk,



from the
GENERAL OVERSEER'S DESK

ALABAMA CAMPGROUND—May 1, I was in Birmingham and visited Alabama's new state campground. They have purchased fourteen acres in the suburbs of the city, on a super four-lane highway, which is beautifully lighted. Last year, they began to build cottages, and I don't mean cabins, for they are very nice and expensive. This year, they have built a very nice building for the cafe, and are well on the way with a big steel-framed tabernacle, which, when completed, will be very beautiful and substantial. Brother Roberts, state overseer, and several of the pastors were on the job roofing the tabernacle.

Alabama will have a wonderful campground when it is completed, and they have the type of people to make a camp meeting a success. They are good singers, good preachers, and good livers, full of the Holy Ghost and fire. They will have their camp meeting during the early days of July.

OUR FOREIGN MISSION WORK—The Church of God has been doing foreign mission work for many years.

Mrs. Vestia Ragan, Rt. 2, Collinsville, Ala.

Address all mail to the clerk of the Church of God on Tremont Avenue to C. D. Holcombe, Clerk, Tremont Ave., Church of God, Greenville, S. C.

COVER PAGE

Church of God, Augusta, Ga.

Sister Sallie O. Lee was the first to preach holiness in Augusta, Ga. Later, the Church of God was organized by the state overseer, Brother George T. Broyer. The following ministers served as pastors: Brothers Will Goins, Turner, Wilman, Ando Greer, W. H. Cross, Goir, Osborn, T. D. Brogdon, Sullivan, Langford, E. B. Culpepper, Clover, S. C. Chambers, McNear, W. C. Kennedy, and T. D. Toler.

Brother Osborn purchased the first property for the church. The present building was started under the leadership of Brother W. C. Kennedy, and completed by Brother T. D. Toler. Brother Toler also purchased a beautiful

Our first efforts were in the Bahama Islands. From there we have been successful in expanding into many nations.

There are more doors open to the Church of God mission work than at any other time in all our history. More and more our ministers are dedicating their lives to this work, and offering their services to the Mission Board.

The mission work has progressed so fast and grown to such proportions, it requires an enormous sum of money annually to support and carry on this great work. We are now in the midst of the district convention season, with the state conventions almost ready to begin. We have been receiving some encouraging reports of wonderful convention offerings, which are highly appreciated and greatly needed.

FULL GOSPEL BROADCAST—We hope you have been tuning in on this program from Del Rio, Texas, 1570 on your dial, from 9 to 9:15 p.m. central standard time, Monday through Friday. Please listen to this program and let us know what you think about it.

ful six-room parsonage on Crawford Avenue.

We came here in the fall of 1945. God has blessed us in a wonderful way. We have received approximately ninety members into the church, the tithes have practically doubled, the Sunday School is running over two hundred (a 75 per cent increase), and unity and spirituality are prevailing.

Our plans are to refinish the auditorium, install a new heating plant, and erect a Sunday School department, at the cost of several thousand dollars.—Max L. Atkins, pastor.

NOTICE

The Senior Class of Bible Training School and College extends a welcome to everyone to attend the Commencement play. It is an unforgettable drama of the life of Queen Esther. The play will be presented May 20, 21, with a different cast each night. We urge you to attend May 20, if possible. Doors will be closed after all the tickets are

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Good and Evil ... from Revivals

By Rev. D. H. Delk

"Out of the same mouth (revival) proceedeth blessing and cursing. My brethren, these things ought not to be."

First, I'd like to say, I don't feel that I am a perfect preacher, and I certainly don't claim to be the final word on any subject, but by some years of experience I see a few things that we preachers can remedy, I believe.

A revival is a great blessing. Revivals are lifesavers for our churches. If we continue for God, we have to keep having them. But our enemy, the devil, is at work, sowing tares, taking every advantage he possibly can, and we had better wake up to some of his tricks, because we are losing almost as much as we are gaining.

I'd like to say to the evangelists who are unaware of some of their failings: These last days of peril are especially busy days for a pastor. Some one says, "So and So is here and there." Well, if a pastor isn't busy, he surely won't last long. He must bind the chariot to the swift beast, and pray for good speed, for the King's business requires haste. A pastor must be everything and everywhere, therefore the pastor cannot spend as much time with the evangelist as he would like to. Consequently, the evangelist is here and there with this member and that one, and very often with some that are not in perfect harmony with the pastor, and little by little he is tainted with their feelings and opinions. The result is, he has less to say in favor of the pastor. He prays hard and preaches hard and souls are won and added to the church, but he leaves his converts in his favor and perhaps many of the old members wondering if the pastor is all he should be. He leaves a rifle for the pastor to sweat, toil and pray a good while, to heal up. Out of the same revival came forth good and evil. My brethren, these things ought not to be.

Please pardon a personal reference. If there is anything I enjoy, it is the privilege to hold a revival for my brother pastor and encourage every one of his members to pray for and love their good pastor; show them all

of his good points, and let them know how easily they could do worse by changing pastors. Then at the close of the revival, preach a sermon on love in his behalf, take him a good love offering, and leave all filled with God's love. "Love worketh no evil."

Yes, evangelists, tell the people they have a good pastor, and tell the pastor he has some fine people, and they should appreciate each other, and leave there with the church loving the pastor better and the pastor loving his church better, and all loving one another better and God supremely. Do your utmost to leave all your converts with good salvation and not preacher religion. This may cut down on the number but when the testing fire comes (and it won't miss coming), you'll surely be rewarded.

Another thing the evangelist can easily think, "Well, I won't be here long. I have enough sermons prepared for a few weeks, so why worry, work, pray, and study?" If a sermon has

been preached twenty times (and plenty have), it still needs praying over, studying over, renewing and reviewing, something taken out and something added. Just lambasting sin, sinners, and sorry church members is not enough. This is not so hard to do, for the devil will help you. But the devil won't help you preach the gospel in love and he won't help you point sinners to the Lamb of God that will take away their sins. No sir, the devil won't help you edify and build men and women up in the most pure and holy faith. So let us keep our nose in God's Word so much it will be out of the pastor's business altogether.

Another thing the evangelist should keep in mind, is that it was not only his preaching, praying, and efforts that caused a good revival, but the pastor may have prayed for months, and his people prayed and gave, until God blessed. We are laborers together with God.

One thing more is, let us watch those reports. When we overinflate a tire, it is likely to blow out. So it is with an overinflated report. It is bound to react, and trouble will be inevitable.

Now, I'd like to say, may God greatly bless all our evangelists. We are going to continue this on the pastors soon, so you evangelists be looking for the other side of this subject.

The Tobacco Traffic

By Paul H. Walker, Overseer of
West Virginia

Here are a few pointers that might be of help to our readers in fighting one of the most deadly enemies to American society, which is dealing a deathblow to the soul and is also an outstanding enemy to God and the Church.

In 1900, Americans smoked 3,742,000,000 cigarettes. The rate climbed steadily each year until 1944, when, despite the shortage, a total of 300,000,000,000 were consumed in the United States. Per capita yearly consumption now is 2,240, more than five times as high as at the end of World War I. The Secretary for the National Association of Tobacco Distributors says that post-war demands should



bring yearly requirements and supplies to 420,000,000,000 within five years.

Americans are smoking 50 per cent
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BIBLE GLINTS *and* Late Events

BY THE EDITOR



Mr. J. H. Walker
Montgomery Avenue
Cleveland, Tenn.
Dear Friend:

April 22, 1947

I write to you for help at the suggestion of a friend.

Through the release of atomic energy, our generation has brought into the world the most revolutionary force since prehistoric man's discovery of fire. This basic power of the universe cannot be fitted into the outmoded concept of narrow nationalism, for there is no secret and there is no defense; there is no possibility of control except through the aroused understanding and insistence of the peoples of the world.

We scientists recognize our inescapable responsibility to carry to our fellow citizens an understanding of the simple facts of atomic energy and their implications for society. In this lie our only security and our only hope—we believe that an informed citizenry will act for life and not for death.

We need \$1,000,000 for this great educational task. Sustained by faith in man's ability to control his destiny through the exercise of reason, we have pledged all our strength and our knowledge to this work. I do not hesitate to call upon you to help.

Faithfully yours,

A. Einstein

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OVERSEERS REPORT ON CLOTHING DRIVE

Reports from some of the States on the Clothing Drive for relief for suffering Europe sponsored by National Association of Evangelicals

This is a noble work. The suffering is terrible and continues to be most acute. This is an opportunity to all God-loving peoples to help give the gospel along with temporal relief. Others please continue your drive and we shall be glad to hear from you.

Various districts of Alabama report 9,750 pounds of clothing have already been shipped and they have about 400 pounds on hand now to be shipped to Germany. Reported by Rev. J. T. Roberts, State Overseer.

I am reporting on the clothing drive for Minnesota and Wisconsin. Wisconsin had one hundred and five pounds. Minnesota will have approximately one hundred pounds. —Rev. W. H. Godwin, State Overseer, Churches of God in Minnesota and Wisconsin.

Our used-clothing drive is virtually completed, and I must have about two large truck loads in my garage that I have not had time to sort. — Rev. A. V. Beaubé, Overseer of Georgia.

Our clothing drive in South Carolina was a great success. I do not know the exact amount of clothes and shoes that was shipped, but there were in the neighborhood of seven and one-half tons of clothes and shoes together. We have not done anything toward the food situation. The cash money that was collected was used to pay the transportation on the clothes.—Rev. Zeno C. Tharp, Overseer, Churches of God in South Carolina.

We are pleased to inform you that West Virginia mailed to the New York office, clothing for relief to the distressed in Europe, amounting to \$2,790.80 in value. We have some more yet to be shipped, as some of the churches are still making up their boxes.

I advised that a legitimate valuation be placed upon the garments. Hundreds of dollars worth of clothes sent were brand-new and we believe the valuation is a very nominal figure. In reality, they might be of far greater value than the actual valuation made herein. We feel that West Virginia has done a good job.—Rev. Paul H. Walker, Overseer of West Virginia.

We have made a thorough solicitation in the various churches in behalf of the needy Europeans and trust we can have a report very soon to send you. — Rev. W. M. Stallings, Overseer of Mississippi.

As yet, we haven't had much success in our war relief drive, but we will send out the pamphlets when they arrive, and keep it before the people in Washington and Oregon.—Rev. Lemuell Johnson, Overseer of Washington and Oregon.

I do not have a full report from the churches over the State on the clothing drive for the relief of the distressed in Europe, but I know that some of the churches are making an effort. As soon as we have a more complete report, we shall be glad to give you the information.—Rev. E. W. Williams, Overseer of North Carolina.

In response to the appeal for used clothing for the victims of war, the Churches of God in Montana and Wyoming have thus far sent the following amounts of clothing to the New York office for shipment to Europe: Bigtimber, 136 pounds; Bozeman, 160 pounds; Three Forks, 41 pounds; Manhattan, 130 pounds; Harlowton, 110 pounds; Caspar, Wyo., 54 pounds. Two boxes from Billings and several from Lewistown are on hand to be shipped. Missoula is shipping two large boxes directly from Missoula, weighing about 300 pounds. Some of these last shipments are being held up due to insufficient funds with which to pay the shipping charges. If you are one who has wanted to help the sufferers in Europe and had no clothes to give, it may be that you would want to contribute some cash to help get these clothes to the needy ones in distress. Please contact your pastor soon about this matter.—W. M. Pospisil, State Overseer of Montana and Wyoming.

Paths to Peace

By Rev. J. A. Brown

Text: Jer. 6:16, "Thus saith the Lord, Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths, where is the good way, and walk therein, and ye shall find rest for your souls."

There is, perhaps, no traveler who has not at sometime been confused about the road to his destination. Many, no doubt, have inquired about the way of the wrong party, and found to their sorrow they had been directed the wrong way, and much valuable time and comfort were lost. As this is true of motorists and other travelers on our highways, it is also true of those who are in search of peace for their souls. The text says, "Stand ye in the ways, and see, and ask for the old paths." That is what a wise traveler does when he comes to a place where several roads intersect. He stops and looks for road signs or asks someone the right way. It would be very foolish for a stranger not to stop and make some investigation about the way. Would it not also be good sense for those who are seeking to know the right way, spiritually, to stop and ask the right way?

The seeker after soul rest will surely come to a maze of religious ways, and at this point it will be good to consult the Lord's road signs. Our text is a good one to help us continue our journey in good faith. If the seeker after peace obeys this text and stands in the ways or at the cross-roads, he will be tempted to choose a broad way for several reasons. (1) A broad way is easy to travel. (2) More travelers are going this way. (3) It seems to be the right way.

Before choosing this broad way, we had better examine the road signs further. The Bible is the sure road sign. In Matt. 7:13 Jesus says that the broad way leads to destruction, and that many are going this way. Though this broad way may seem to be right, yet we find in Prov. 14:12,

"There is a way which seemeth right unto a man, but the end thereof are the ways of death." The text says, "Ask for the old paths." Though the paths are old, this is the good way that was blazed out by Jesus and the apostles about two thousand years ago. It is a narrow way and is not free from hardships. It must be traveled with caution, but it leads to eternal peace and joy.

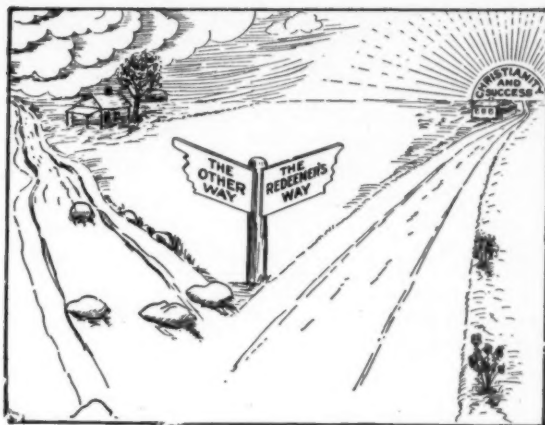
May we know when we are on the right road, spiritually? A wise traveler doesn't go very far when his mind is full of doubts about whether he is on the right road or not. With our modern highways, it is not necessary to have doubts about the right way, if we observe the road signs. It is so also on our spiritual journey. We may find our road signs at Mark 16:17, 18. A wise traveler will not go far on *hoping* that he is on the right road. He must *know* it is the right way. Many religious travelers seem never to get to the place where they can say, "I know I am a Christian and on the right way." It is not pleasant travelling when your mind is full of doubts. By consulting God's signboard—the Bible—and doing what it says do, these doubts will vanish and you can speed on your journey. Some modern teachers say we should not look or expect to see signs or desire feelings on the Christian journey. If these things are in the way, why not expect to see them once in awhile? Jesus said, in Mark 16:17, "These signs shall follow them that BELIEVE." The wise motorist is very careful to look for the signs on the road. Why should not the believer look for some also, when they are promised to him?

Not very many are able, financially, to take a long journey, but on this

journey from earth to heaven, we have one who knows the way and has promised to supply our every need. It is a narrow way and just a few travelers are found in it, therefore it is not a popular way now, but thank God it will be after awhile. In this narrow way we shall have some persecutions, and that is why so many choose the broad way instead.

The Israelites, on their journey from Egypt to Canaan, halted because they heard there were giants living in walled cities in Canaan. They believed the evil report of the ten spies and refused to obey their leaders and God. God allowed them to wander in the wilderness for forty years, or until all these cowards had died, and then a younger generation went over and inherited the good land. I believe many so-called Christians are NOW in the position (spiritually) that the Israelites were in when they refused to go forward on their journey. Many have seen the light on the baptism of the Holy Ghost and have refused to walk in it and they will die, spiritually, and never get to heaven. What this world needs is preachers and leaders in spiritual things—men like Joshua and Caleb of old, though they were in the minority, and who said, "We are plenty able to possess the good land." If the preachers and leaders of our modern churches would preach the Bible *just as it is* to their flocks, many of their members would see the light on the Holy Ghost, speaking in tongues, and divine healing. Instead of preaching these wonderful truths, they are keeping them in the dark about these things. I am afraid some of these teachers will find themselves

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INTERNATIONAL

"Full-Gospel Broadcast," Good Neighbor Station XERF, Del Rio, Texas, every night, Monday through Friday, 9-9:15. 1570 on your dial. Commission on Radio.

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Brother Frank Johnson, over Station WSGN, Birmingham, Ala. Daily at 5:15-5:45 a. m. Sunday, 7:00-8:00 a. m.

Rev. C. T. Douglas, over Station WKAX, Birmingham, 900 Kc., daily 1:30-2:00 p. m.; Sunday 1:00-2:00 p. m.

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Rev. Carl Green, over Station WJOI, Florence, Sunday, 9:00-9:30 a. m.

ARIZONA

"Church of God Hour," over Station KSUN, Lowell, each Sunday morning, 8:30-9:00. F. W. Patterson, pastor.

CANADA

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GEORGIA

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Rossville, West Gordon Avenue church, over station WAPO, Chattahoochee, Tenn., each Sunday from 6:30-7:00 a. m. Hoyt Odum, pastor.

North Rome, over Station WRGA, each Saturday from 9:30-10:00 a. m. C. L. Richard, pastor.

The Church of God Radio Hour, over Station WAYX, Waycross, Ga. Every first and third Tuesday at 11:30 a. m., C. S. T. J. B. Conner, pastor, Piney Grove.

Tennille Church of God, over Station WMLT, 1340 Kc., Dublin, Ga., each Sunday, 2-2:30 p. m. Rev. Joe Cleghorn, pastor.

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ILLINOIS

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2. Each Monday, 3-3:45 p. m. Eldorado, V. B. Rains, pastor; West Frankfort, A. G. Phillips, pastor. Alternate programs.

3. Each Tuesday, 3-3:45 p. m. Benton, W. J. (Bill) Brown, pastor.

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NORTH CAROLINA

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Winston-Salem, over Station WAIR, 1340 Kc., each Wednesday at 6:30 a. m. Roland Virrico, pastor.

"Precious Moments," over Station WFNC, Fayetteville, 1450 on the dial, Sunday, 8:00 a. m.; Thursday, 7:30 a. m. D. H. Delk, pastor.

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Church of God, Durham, over Station WTIK, 730 Kc., each Sunday, 9:05-9:30 a. m. Roland Verrico, pastor.

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OHIO

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SOUTH CAROLINA

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North Greenville, over Station WMRC, Sunday morning, 7:00-7:30, 1490 Kc. Presented by the young people. W. L. Edgar, pastor.

Greenville No. 1, "The Church of God Hour," over station WARC, 1490 Kc., 11:00 p. m.-12:00 midnight, each Saturday; 8:00-8:30 a. m. each Sunday. Earl P. Paulk, pastor.

Greenwood, "Radio Gospel Hour," over Station WCRS, 1450 Kc., 9:15-9:45 a. m. each Sunday. F. L. Muller, pastor.

Lancaster, "The Sunshine Hour," over Station WRHI, Rock Hill, 1340 Kc., 2:00-2:30 p. m. each Sunday. L. R. Patterson, pastor.

Rock Hill, "Full Gospel Radio Hour," over station WRHI, Rock Hill, 1340 Kc., 2:00-2:30 p. m. Sunday. J. L. McCoy, pastor.

"Early Morning Message Hour," each Sunday morning, 7:05-7:30. James T. Shealy, pastor. Church of God No. 2, Walhalla.

Charleston Church of God, over Station WFAK, 730 Kc., each Sunday, 9-9:30 a. m. EST. L. W. McIntyre, pastor.

TENNESSEE

North Cleveland, over Station WBAC, Cleveland, 1340 Kc. Each week day, except Saturday, from 3:30-4:00 p. m. Each Sunday from 9:00-9:30 a. m. James L. Slay, pastor.

B. T. S., Sevierville, over Station WNOX, Knoxville, 990 Kc., each Sunday morning at 9:00 (EST).

South Cleveland, over Station WBAC, Cleveland, Tenn., 1340 Kc. Each week day, except Saturday, from 10:15-10:30 a. m. Each Sunday from the church from 11:45-12:15 p. m. J. A. Bixler, pastor.

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Memphis, over Station WMPS, 7:30 a. m., Sunday. J. D. Free, pastor.

Cookeville, over Station WHUB, 9:00-9:30 a. m., Saturday. R. M. Strong, pastor.

East Chattanooga, over Station WAGC, 5:30-6:00 p. m. Saturday. James A. Cross, pastor.

Alton Park church, over WAPO, Chattanooga, 1:00-1:45 p. m. and 10:30-11:30 p. m., Saturday. J. D. Smith, pastor.

"The Word of God," over Station WAPO (FM) 5000 watt radio, 1150 on your dial, daily at 11:15 a. m. C. S. T. Albert H. Batts, pastor, N. Chattanooga.

TEXAS

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Conventions...

WAYNESBORO, VA., DISTRICT CONVENTION

I feel led of God to write to the Evangel of the glorious district convention which we just closed tonight.

It was the greatest convention I have ever had the privilege of attending. Everything to the most minute detail was just heavenly inspired. God crowned it all with the greatest Orphanage and Mission offerings ever given on this district.

I especially want to pay tribute to our "prince of preachers" and great state overseer, Rev. D. C. Boatwright. We, in the State of Virginia, genuinely appreciate him, and know we are blessed of God in having the competent, capable leadership of this great man of God. Recently, when Brother Boatwright was stricken with an attack of coronary thrombosis, and almost departed to be with Christ, we were made to realize how great would be the loss to the Church of God and especially to Virginia, if our mighty leader was taken. It was the prayers of Old Dominion saints for God to spare him, and tonight and throughout this convention, as I witnessed the most valiant effort of this courageous soldier of Jesus Christ, who, it seems, should have been concerned about not overtaxing himself, instead, was lost and absorbed completely in giving every fibre of his being to proclaiming the glorious gospel of missions of Christ and salvation. I was made to praise God for such a leader. I take it upon myself to solicit the prayers of all saints everywhere, to strengthen Brother Boatwright and grant us many more years of his useful service in the Church of God.—Rev. P. F. Taylor, district pastor.

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CONVENTION

The Logan District convention convened at the Aracoma Church of God. The first service opened with a word of welcome by the host pastor, Rev. A. W. Brummett. A wonderful message was given by Rev. W. G. Spangler, on "Pure Religion," after which an Orphanage offering was received in the amount of \$48.13. Brother C.

E. Corley spoke on "Courageous Followers."

Rev. A. J. Allen brought a message on "Are You There," and the climax was reached when Rev. H. L. Marcum spoke on the "Second Coming of Christ." We were all drawn closer together and closer to God. We had special singing during the convention.

Rev. T. M. McClendon spoke on "The Great Commission" and we were all filled with the missionary spirit. A mission offering was received in the amount of \$417.68.

On Sunday afternoon, reports were given by the churches on the District and another great message, on "The Forgotten Man," was given by Rev. C. E. Corley. As we parted with the spirit of love and unity prevailing, we could say like the Psalmist David, "Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity."—Bessie Jeffries, reporter.

NOTICE

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sold.

Our ushers have done a splendid work this year. You can help them keep this record by your cooperation.

Don't forget to mark on your calendar the dates May 20, 21, days of the Senior Commencement play, under the direction of Miss Beatrice Coley.

Reserve your seat now by writing to O'Neil McCullough, Bible Training School and College, Sevierville, Tenn. Seats sell at 75c, 50c, and 25c.

Special Notice to Attendants of School Exercises

The Entertainment Committee has decided that those who wish to make reservations for a place to stay should notify them at once, as tourist season will be in full sway at that time. The rooms will vary in hotels and boarding houses from \$2 to \$3 a person. Those who wish to make reservations should send at least a \$2.50 deposit. There will be room for approximately 75 persons in the dormitories. Of course, we shall do our best to obtain all available places to stay. If you are unable to obtain a reservation from the Committee, it would be a good idea to stop in Knoxville or Gatlinburg as you come through, and secure a room.—Cecil Bridges, Chairman.

WELCH, W. VA., DISTRICT CONVENTION

The Welch District convention convened at Ennis, W. Va. The Lord met with us from the very beginning. We had good special singing and music.

A sermon on "The Orphanage" was brought to us by our esteemed state overseer, Rev. Paul H. Walker. People's hearts were stirred and they responded with an offering of \$51.01. Following was a message by Rev. S. B. McCane, on "And He Went a Little Farther." A Bible study was conducted by our state overseer.

Brother Walker brought us a message on "The Church and Its Responsibility in the Light of the Gospel." A mission offering of \$281.49 was received; also \$27 to pay on a jeep for one of our dear missionaries in the Philippines. Brother A. J. Gardner, our district overseer, worked very hard to make this a good convention, and it truly was a great convention. Everyone returned home with a greater zeal to do something for God.—Mrs. C. R. Simmons, clerk.

Notice, Alumni Members

Wednesday, May 21, has been designated as Alumni Day. There will be a meeting of the association at 8 a.m. Every graduate of the school is urged to attend this meeting. Important matters, such as the adoption of an alumni constitution, are to be discussed at this session.

Attend the alumni barbecue at 5 p.m., Wednesday. The price is \$1.00 to all graduates of B.T.S., except those who have paid alumni dues. If you have paid your alumni dues, come to the barbecue free of all charges. If you are a B.T.S. graduate and haven't paid your alumni dues, send \$1.00 to Robert Humbertson, c/o B.T.S., Sevierville, Tenn., right now! Don't miss this treat.

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A Revival Spirit Continues

I am praising God for salvation and for the good church at Seneca, S. C. We have had two successful revivals, and we have taken in thirty-six members since September. A revival spirit has been in our midst for several months, for which we thank the Lord. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless us.—Mrs. G. C. Timmerman.

From Egypt to Canaan

By Mrs. John Hester

Matt. 24:13, "*But he that shall endure unto the end, the same shall be saved.*"

While the Israelites were in Egypt, under the rule of Pharaoh, they were in bondage. Cruel taskmasters lashed them and made them work. They built cities such as Pithom and Raamses. The Israelites grew weary of this yoke of bondage, and longed to be free. They called upon God. Finally, God sent a deliverer unto them. Moses had received a divine call when God spoke to him from the burning bush. When this event occurred, it was the first divine revelation that had been made in four hundred years.

The Israelites accepted Moses as their deliverer, and after several attempts, he led them out of Egypt's bondage.

Sinners, your souls are in bondage. The yoke of sin is heavy. Satan is certainly a hard taskmaster. He won't let you go as long as you are under his rule. You are not building for that eternal home, but building for an awful destiny, a place of untold torment. Every time you reject the tender pleadings of God, your foundation is stronger to withstand any good influence you might contact. You parents who are in bondage to Satan, are building for your children the downward road of sin that leads to hell.

"The way of transgressors is hard," Prov. 13:15b. As the Israelites were weary of their yoke of bondage and longed for a deliverer, so you, too, sinners, are weary of your yoke of bondage, or sin. God promised a deliverer for you. As Moses was sent from God, so Jesus was sent also. As Moses led the Israelites out of bondage, so Christ will free you of your yoke of bondage, and lead you out. Praise God! Jesus said, Matt. 11:28, "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." The Lamb also said, in Matt. 11:30, "For my yoke is easy, and my burden is light."

Israel accepted their deliverer and he led them out of bondage. On their journey they had to cross the Red Sea. There it was in front of them, looking so impossible to cross. The Egyptians were pressing close behind them. Man's extremity is God's opportunity.

God opened the way for the Israelites by separating the waters of the sea, and they marched through on dry land.

If we accept Jesus as our Deliverer, He will lead us on our journey to the Promised Land. Sometimes in this life we become discouraged. The cares of life are about to overcome us. In despair we call upon God. He comes to our rescue and helps us overcome our "Red Sea." He removes the obstacles that block our way to heaven. Some people would like to evade the Red Sea, and get to Canaan without having to cross it. God will help you cross over. He separates and sets aside the habits and things we possess that are unlike Him. Thus we have sanctification. The Red Sea, or the things we couldn't overcome, and the Egyptians, or that which hinders our spiritual progress, are washed away, and we continue our journey to Canaan.

Now we have the Israelites journeying through the wilderness. There is no food, but God comes to their rescue with manna from heaven. On their journey they were bitten by fiery serpents. God told Moses to make a brass serpent and put it where whosoever looked upon it would be healed of the poisonous bite.

We, as Christians, are saved and sanctified and are on our way to glory. Sometimes we get hungry for a good blessing; our souls get lean for some heavenly manna. As God gave Israel food, so He feeds our souls. Our bodies get afflicted. Then, as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, and whosoever looked upon it was healed, so Jesus was lifted up as the Savior for a lost and dying world. He took those stripes at Calvary that we might be healed.

The Israelites had a pillar of fire by night and a pillar of cloud by day to guide them on their journey. I imagine when they were weary and needed comfort, they looked up and were comforted by the fact that God's presence hovered near in the pillar of cloud or fire. They knew their Guide was there, for the pillar of fire or cloud always overshadowed them.

We, as Christians, need a guide on our spiritual journey, to help us do and say the right thing at the oppor-

tune time, and to lead the way for us over life's thorny road. We need comfort, also, on our spiritual journey, and we have both, a Guide and Comforter, if the Holy Ghost dwells within. How do we know we have the Holy Ghost? We spoke in other tongues as the Spirit gave utterance. Glory! Glory! So get the Holy Ghost. Don't stay in the wilderness. You might die there, as did the Israelites who didn't obey God and grew fainthearted. These didn't get to Canaan. We should get this wonderful blessing, for we don't want to be overcome during our wilderness experience.

While journeying through the wilderness, the Israelites became thirsty, but the waters at Marah were too bitter to drink. The children started murmuring and complaining. God told Moses to cast a tree into the water. He did so and the water was made sweet. The Israelites could now quench their thirst.

After this difficulty at Marah, they came to Elim where they rested beneath the threescore and ten palm trees and drank of the twelve wells of water.



*There is no burden of the spirit
but is lightened by kneeling
under it.*

First, we must keep prayed up to stay ahead of the enemy. It takes prayer to conquer old Satan. It has been said that prayer is the key to heaven. 1 Thess. 5:17, 18 says, "Pray without ceasing. In everything give thanks: for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus concerning you." We say we can't stay on our knees all the time. No, but we can have a prayerful, thankful heart. 1 Tim. 2:8, "I will therefore that men pray everywhere, lifting up holy hands, without wrath and doubting." Luke 18:1, "And he

The Secret

If we overcome hardships and endure difficulties and temptations, we, too, can rest. We're like the Israelites; when difficulties arise, we murmur and complain, but if we obey God, our "bitter waters" will prove a sweet and worth-while experience.

As the palm trees and wells at Elim offered shade, drink, and rest to the weary Israelites, so we, as children of God, need a place to rest. Stop at Elim, or, in other words, come into the Church, where your thirsty soul will be filled and where protection is offered. As Elim proved to be a blessing to the Israelites, so the Church will prove a help and a blessing.

I imagine the Israelites that endured the journey from Egypt to Canaan were happy when they finally entered into Canaan, a land of milk and honey.

If we, as Christians, run life's race patiently, and endure the trials, we, too, shall reach the Promised Land. Won't we be happy where the milk and honey flows, living with God the Father and our Elder Brother, Christ Jesus, in glory!

The Secret of Prayer

By Mrs. John F. Thames

spake a parable unto them to this end, that men ought always to pray, and not to faint." We know if we don't pray, we will fall by the wayside. If we ever expect more from Jesus, we must pray more and obey Him. We must take God's Word just like it is and not take from or add to it. So many times we pray and pray for something and it does not seem to happen, then the enemy tries to tell us it is no use. Luke 18:7 encourages us, using Jesus' own words, thus: "And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, though he bear long with them?" So if God does not save that loved one for whom you have prayed so much, do not be discouraged. Let us cry out to God day and night. When He sees our faithfulness and obedience, He will answer our prayers in time to come.

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A Good Shepherd

By O. E. Wright

Text: St. John 10:11, "I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd giveth his life for his sheep."

When we think of the meaning of this verse, we think of the love the blessed Son of God had for us. Then we think of the love we ought to have for our members. 1 John 3:16, "Hereby perceive we the love of God, because he laid down his life for us: and we ought to lay down our lives for the brethren."

To be a good shepherd we are to love our flock, and to love our flock is not to club them over the head every time they come to church.

It seems that some pastors have the idea they are supposed to skin with hard harsh words every time they preach. But nowhere in the Bible did Jesus say, "Skin my sheep." He did say, "Feed my sheep."

To feed your sheep is to give them something to eat, and not to just use a club. To hear some preachers preach you would think all of their members had backslid. But to be a good shepherd, we are to love our flock, to love them so that they will know we love them. When we are preaching doctrine, they will know we are preaching it for their benefit.

I wonder sometimes if we don't drive our members the other way instead of helping them. To feed the flock is not to pick some fault of our members and make a hobby out of preaching on that one fault every time you preach. While you are doing that you are starving the other sheep to death. Paul told Timothy to preach the Word. That is what the sheep are hungry to hear.

I wonder what the outsider thinks when he comes and all the pastor does is to club his members. I am afraid that is the reason some people never come back any more. They come to hear the Word of God, but instead of hearing it, they hear the pastor berate his members. I can see the reason they would not want to be a member of that church.

Jesus preached straight to the



scribes, Pharisees, and hypocrites, but having loved His own, He loved them unto the end. You might say that all you have is hypocrites. If it is, you just as well turn them out and start all over, as they won't be any good to you any way, and you can not preach it out of them. At least, the Son of God could not.

If we love our sheep, we will visit them. If they miss services, we will want to know why. It may be that they are sick and need our prayers.

Preaching is just one of the things required of a pastor. The members expect him to visit them, and many other things.

A good shepherd will not be sending in his report only showing he has visited about ten homes, where he ate big nice meals; but he will have others to report where he has prayed for the sick and helped those in need, and that home where there are little ragged, dirty boys who need to be in Sunday School, and will be offering to use his car to take them in, if needs be.

It is no wonder some pastors never have any new ones to whom to preach. It is because he has failed to do his duty by visiting these new homes. Remember, Jesus said, "I was a stranger, and ye took me not in." If we fail to visit these homes, we shall have to

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J. STEWART BRINSFIELD
Executive Missions Secretary



News From Our FOREIGN MISSIONS



A TRIP TO ELOM WITH BROTHER FURMAN

Nebaj is fifty-four miles from Quiche. Its name means "up there among the stones," and when one is there he thinks he is really among stones and rocky cliffs, at the end of the trail. About forty-five miles from Nebaj there are good-sized villages and many scattered settlements. Brother Furman, two native brethren, and I left Nebaj for a trip over this territory.

All day we traveled on horseback through dense vegetation and heavy mud, for the sun scarcely penetrates the dense growth. Finally, we came to a river where we established our camp for the night. Brother Furman strung his hammock between two trees, then we built a fire and ate the beans and other food we carried. During the night, a menacing storm chased Brother Furman under cover, so we all slept together on some roots and other bumps under a tree. The next morning, we continued to descend the mountains, crossed the river on a wooden bridge, and began the slow climb up the other side. The trail became so narrow we could scarcely lead our horses over it. All along the way we had to give Indian whoops to notify anyone in the vicinity we were coming so we would not collide with any traffic coming the opposite direction, since there was not room enough for any person or beast to pass us. Along the way we discovered a small opening which proved to be a short cut to the river below us. We, therefore, sent the horses the other way and literally slid down the mountain-side to the river. However, there we found no bridge and had to cross on horseback. Plunging into the swift mountain stream, the horses stumbled around and Brother Furman forgot to hold onto his coat. When we arrived on the opposite bank, the coat had vanished down the stream.

Just as we landed on the shore, an inhabitant of the jungle set fire to a portion of land he intended to clear for planting purposes. The flames were leaping as high as the trees. There was only one direction in which to run to avoid being enclosed by the fire. The man, however, finally observing our predicament, shouted and waved his arms in the direction we should go. Having gotten out of that situation, we proceeded to the next village, of Indian Red Coats called "Chel." We conducted our first meeting and practically the entire village turned out. One by one we sowed the good seed in their hearts in Spanish and, through our apt native worker, in their own dialect. They were reluctant to leave the little town hall after the service.

We made our beds on boards, logs, or whatever we could pull together. Brother Furman tied his hammock to the crossbeams of the thatched roof. We fell asleep only to be awakened by streams of water pouring down on our heads through the sugar cane leaves, so we had to make our beds somewhere else where the water was more polite. Our old and very active native worker jumped around with a candle and his blanket, trying to find another place to sleep. Finally, he decided to share a log upon which another brother was stretched out, and he settled himself at the other brother's feet. When this good brother awoke and stretched his feet, they came in contact with the short hair of our worker. He was momentarily frightened, thinking some wild animal had crouched at his feet. To be sure, however, he touched the brother's head several times.

From here we jumped, via horseback, to a coffee plantation. Brother Furman, taking the absence of his coat good-naturedly, was traveling in a tight-fitting jacket, upon which we commented freely. We received a royal

welcome, as we knew the owner of the finca. While we washed up, he gathered in his Red Coats and again the message went forth to these benighted people. From here we returned to the river and, since it was near Holy Week, when everyone here eats fish and drinks whiskey, we found some men dynamiting the river. They had lines of fish, as well as a deer and a snake, strung up to a tree. Since we knew these men, they loaded us with fresh fish and we had fish for the next three or four meals.

The next village was Elom. The hotel was next in comparison to a Guatemalan cowshed. In it, also, was a glass case containing the village patron saint. This happened to be the government building and the church headquarters. Brother Furman, as usual, slept in his hammock, but I chose a high, narrow table. Our mattresses consisted of saddle pads and my blankets of a raincoat and a blanket. During the night, I lost some of my equipment and forgot my position on top of the table, which the officials of the village gathered around to discuss their problems. While reaching for the raincoat, I lost my balance, the whole dignified table overturned with me and landed me among the saddles and dirt on the floor. The sudden shock on my head served to inform me I had been upset and had not fallen off my horse. Here is where the tide turned and I began to reap what I had sown. Brother Furman grabbed his trusty flashlight and hunted me out of the camel furniture. The joke was on me the rest of the way.

More trouble—along the way Brother Furman's horse became lame and another mule developed serious stomach trouble, so we had to go into the veterinary business.

In the next little village, Soztil, the Indians drummed in the village inhabitants. That is, they used drums, sticks and yelps to bring all the village to headquarters, where we celebrated another service among the Red Coats of Nebaj and Chajul. From there we returned to Nebaj, making a circle and entering the way we had come. Our knees sometimes trembled as we observed the caverns below and the cliffs above. We arrived home for Easter, rejoicing that we had completed another trip among the Indians. Brother Furman is a lover of the Indians and we, too, share that love. Pray for these Indians and for your missionaries in Guatemala.—Thomas Pullin, Quiche, Guatemala, C. A.

REQUESTS... for Prayer

PRAY FOR:

Healing of my afflicted body; a friend in the hospital; her nine children.—Mrs. E. B. Cagle, Palmer, Tenn.

My dear husband to be saved, the devil tries to break up our home and make me go back but I want to be faithful to the Lord; my healing and that I will get stronger in the Lord.—A sister, Doctors Inlet, Fla.

Healing of Brother Reed Hires, who has ulcers of the limbs; Brother Cumming, who has an incurable nerve disease.—Sister Hanky, Millville, N. J.

Our children, who have kidney trouble and low blood pressure; Sister Pack, who hasn't been well this winter; Rev. Clay H. Vance, who has an awful cough as a result of flu.—Mrs. H. W. McClure, Ivanhoe, Va.

My healing of a bad stomach trouble, I can hardly eat enough to live.—Mrs. Lillie Boswell, Heflin, Ala.

My brother to be delivered from drinking and seek the Lord and be filled with the Spirit; a very urgent request.—Mrs. R. D. Woody.

Healing for my body; my lost loved ones.—Clara Haynie, Pendleton, S. C.

God to heal me of heart trouble and other ailments; my family to be saved; an urgent unspoken request.—Mrs. Effie Foster, Harrisburg, Ill.

The Lord to heal me of high blood pressure and other ailments and help me overcome a bad habit that is keeping me from being a Christian.—Mrs. Lacy Anderson, Jacksonville, Fla.

Brother and Sister Ryle to be healed; husband and me to be healed.—Mrs. O. V. Brown, Hazlehurst, Ga.

My husband to be healed of a very bad cancer on his face.—Mrs. Berrey Rogers, Enterprise, Ala.

Estes Thomas, Nicholls, Ga., who is in a very serious condition with cancer, encouragement and anointed cloths will be appreciated; a special unspoken request.—Era White, Nicholls, Ga.

God to restore my health; an unspoken request.—Mrs. Hugh Tidwell.

Healing for Amanda Smith, the little singer, who has been sick four weeks.—Mrs. B. H. Smith.

God to heal my body and my daughter; God to save my husband and two sons.—Mrs. Sue Cushman, Leesville, S. C.

My husband to get salvation and be healed; me to be healed.—A reader.

My boy to be delivered from drinking; an unspoken request.—A reader.

My mother, who is very ill with pneumonia; me.—Nattie Lou Larkin, Cottonwood, Ala.

The Lord to save, sanctify and baptize me with the Holy Ghost. I once knew the Lord; my family to be saved.—A faithful reader.

Our son, W. H. Miller, who is in a very serious condition in the Army hospital at Ft. Belvoir, Va.; God to save his soul; our son Mark, who is in the Navy, that he will keep the victory.—Mrs. J. L. Miller, Cairo, Ga.

Healing of my body; my husband; a sick lady; three very special requests.—A sister in Christ.

My sick body and soul. Two years ago the Lord spared me after a cerebral hemorrhage and stroke. Now I have had convulsions; my nerves are in a critical condition. I live in great fear as I am not prepared to meet the Savior. The doctor is going to remove some clots from my brain that are causing this trouble. Take my case to the Lord, and those of my acquaintance who can, come and pray with me.—Mrs. Flora Fountain, Stockton, Ga.

God to heal me of lung trouble; my son, who will soon be leaving for overseas, to be saved; a small baby suffering with stomach trouble; my husband, six boys, and three girls.—Mrs. Effie Vise, Heflin, Ala.

The Lord to provide a home for me and my eight-year-old boy and guide and protect us.—Mrs. Linnie M. Martin, Mason, Texas.

A friend, Mrs. Alice Simmeon, who has been afflicted for some time.—Mrs. John H. Roberts, Toledo, Ohio.

My husband to be saved.—Pansy Adams, Jonesboro, Ark.

My healing of a very bad skin disease; my eyelids; my son in Austria to be saved and return home; a daughter in sin.—Ella Keith, Quicksand, Ky.

God to have mercy on me, I am suffering

with my nerves and heart.—M. A. Tate, Mulens, W. Va.

The Lord to heal my body and help me in some hard trials.—F. M. Frazier, Winchester, Ky.

Healing for my mother and father-in-law; my husband to be saved.—Lorene West, Hillsboro, N. C.

My healing of a bad ulcerated stomach.—E. L. Qualls, Burdette, Ark.

Complete healing for my body.—Mrs. Nora Harris, Heflin, Ala.

My sisters to be saved; healing of my sisters' babies; my healing of a severe hurting in my side, kidney trouble, and other ailments; my father to be healed; an unspoken request; a friend to be saved and healed.—Lillie Mooney, Galax, Va.

God to heal my body.—Rev. J. E. Brigman, Fayetteville, N. C.

My healing of chest and heart trouble; my unsaved family.—Mrs. Minnie Young, Winslow, Ind.

Healing for my body.—Mrs. Cora Munay, Springville, Ala.

The Lord to heal me of a stomach ailment; God to undertake in a very much confused domestic problem which means much to my peace.—Mrs. Ruby Davis, Marianna, Fla.

Healing of my eyeball and other ailments.—Miss Ethel Tidwell, N. Birmingham, Ala.

A very special unspoken request concerning my family.—A sister in Christ.

I have been washing about a year to help care for my children, recently I had pneumonia and it has left me with a terrible smothering, I can only be up awhile at a time. I need encouragement.—Mrs. W. R. Boyer, Potosi, Mo.

My son-in-law, who has drifted from God; my daughter; my loved ones to return home; an unspoken request.—A sister.

An urgent unspoken request; three lost loved ones; my little girl, my mother, sister, and a brother and his companion; me.—A reader.

My healing; healing for my children; an unspoken request.—Mrs. Fred Strickland, Lake City, Fla.

All of us patients here in this institution, that we might be healed of T. B. I've been here almost three years.—Mrs. Irene Thomas, Hazelwood Sanatorium, Louisville, Ky.

That I might be delivered from the bad habit of smoking.—M. D. Johnstown, Pa.

My husband and me to make peace with God. I once knew the Lord and I am very unhappy. Pray for our home.—Mrs. Clara McCraney, Douglasville, Ga.

My daughter's healing of bad tonsils and the Lord to save her soul.—Vera Showers.

My complete healing. I had a nervous breakdown over a year ago.—Baxter Bryant.

My aunt's healing of a growth on her neck; also for her salvation.—Mrs. T. J. Thomas, Lee, Fla.

Mrs. Bessie Padgett, who is in a serious condition; my loved ones to be saved.—Mrs. Horace Fowler.

Complete healing for my body.—Ruby Westberry, Webster, Fla.

My healing of throat and kidney trouble.—J. W. Waddell, Tunica, Miss.

A husband and six children who once knew the Lord; God to save my family; that I will receive the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. W. L. Prince, Columbia, Tenn.

My sons and daughters to be saved; my daughter in Ohio to be healed and her and her husband to be saved.—Mrs. A. L. Robinette, Unicoi, Tenn.

My brother, Sherwood Blasingame, who is very serious with ulcerated stomach and a bad liver. He is in a hospital in Sacramento, Calif., and is unsaved. I should be so glad if any of the members or friends there would visit him.—Miss Sarah Blasingame, Elk Grove, Calif.

The healing of my father, W. B. Simpson, who has high blood pressure and heart trouble.—Mrs. William Cox, Holcomb, Miss.

I need healing very badly, I had an operation for tumor; that the Lord will supply my needs.—Mary B. Williams, Tallulah, La.

My healing of T. B. in both lungs and ulcers of the stomach.—J. G. McClusky, Phoenix, Ariz.

God to heal my body. I strained my lungs while preaching.—Dewey Dailey, Greenback, Tenn.

My complete healing of gall bladder trouble.

—M. H. H., Ferndale, Fla.

Healing for my children; my sister to be healed of smothering spells; my invalid mother; my unsaved husband; my healing of the flu.—Inez Allen, Lavonia, Ga.

My son, seventeen years old, who has been in bad health twelve years, to be healed and saved. Any words of encouragement will be appreciated.—Mrs. Randle Moore, Hazel Green, Ky.

That the Jonesboro, Ark., Church of God may get a broadcasting service.

My healing of a rupture which I have had nearly a year. I am in pain day and night.—H. R. Law, evangelist.

My husband to be healed of heart trouble; my children to be healed; friend to be healed of nervous indigestion; my mother, who has the flu; my healing of nervous spells.—A friend.

My healing of bad tonsils and a very bad ear trouble.—Carrie Bollinger, Langley, S. C.

Three very urgent requests.—Mrs. A. E. Nichols, Oklahoma City, Okla.

My boy to be saved and delivered from a person who is causing him to go deeper in sin.—Mrs. M. R. Davis, Johnstown, Pa.

God to heal my sister's baby, nineteen months old, who can't sit or walk alone.—Celia Carter, Portsmouth, Ohio.

My healing of high blood pressure and heart trouble.—John Shirley, Lupton City, Tenn.

My sister, Mrs. Mary Warr. Her mind is very bad, she is in the State Hospital.—Mrs. Ruby Poston, Georgetown, S. C.

A number of requests.—Mrs. Ralph Taylor, Greenville, S. C.

My husband to be saved; the Lord to send us a Pentecostal revival.—Eunice Brown, Greenville, Tenn.

My son, that he will have a safe journey home. He is in the Merchant Marines and was supposed to reach port March 26; also that his soul will be saved.—Mrs. D. J. Nestor, Beckley, W. Va.

God to save my boy who is in the Army Air Corps in Bermuda.—Mrs. Etta Surface, Akron, Ohio.

The Lord to save and fill me with the Holy Ghost, and heal my body.—O. L. Christian, Coalton, Ohio.

Healing of W. B. Stepheson's hands and arms; the Lord to save Edd Long, Margret Upton, and Ethel Tucker; healing for Marie Smith; my brother and wife to get the Holy Ghost; my niece's husband to be saved; my healing.—Mrs. Willard Stepheson, Dayton, Ohio.

My husband to come back home to me and my little boy.—Mrs. Henry Hicks, Tennille, Ga.

A very special unspoken request; God to undertake for me and heal my body.—A friend, Charlotte, N. C.

My unsaved companion, the Lord is dealing with him; my mother and little girl; two unsaved brothers; me.—A child of God, M. M. Fla.

My sister, who has lost her eyesight; she and her husband to be saved; my son, James, who is unsaved and drinks also; a friend unsaved and has cancer of the stomach and heart dropsy; an uncle, who had a stroke and high blood pressure, he and his wife are unsaved; that I might receive the Holy Ghost.—W. L. Clinton, Bainbridge, Ga.

The Lord to heal my feet; my little grandson, who has sugar diabetes.—Mrs. Venia Woods, Greeneville, Tenn.

Two men to be saved who are badly in need of the Lord; a lady to be healed of cancer; a great outpouring of the Holy Ghost at Artesia, New Mexico.—Harry Probasco.

My daughter to be healed of rheumatism; healing of two sons and three ladies; God to completely heal me.—A sister, Vero Beach, Fla.

My husband to be healed; God to save my daughter.—A friend, Nashville, Tenn.

My little six-year-old boy, who suffers very badly with his head and nerves. Anointed cloths will be appreciated. I am so worried about his condition.—Mrs. Floyd Cash, Manis Road, Rt. 4, Knoxville, Tenn.

God to heal me and that I might receive the Holy Spirit.—W. E. Brewer, Laurel, Miss.

Healing of my eyes; an unspoken request.—Mrs. H. S. Richard, Ranger, Ga.

God to heal my husband.—Mrs. Arthur York, Chautauqua, Kansas.

God to close a tavern in our community that is wrecking homes and taking the lives of our loved ones. Our cousin lost his life there this week.—Mrs. Ira Williamson, Lyons, Ga.

My husband to be saved and return to me and three small children; my uncle to be healed of cancer.—Mrs. Ora Bell, Allen, Ala.

My two sick brothers-in-law, who are very ill; that we might get a church in Kansas City, Mo.—E. F. Crain.

REVIVALS

The Lord blessed in a wonderful revival in Augusta, Ga. The Holy Ghost convicted lost sinners in a marvelous way. There were thirty-nine saved, thirty-nine sanctified, eighteen filled with the Holy Ghost, and twenty-one added to the church. Brother Max Atkins, the pastor, is doing a great work. He has gained over one hundred new members since coming here. Every department of the church is making progress. He is a fine pastor, a real worker for God, and has a great influence in this city.—M. C. Tlayer, Augusta, Ga.

The Lord is blessing at Hobbs, N. Mex. We have just closed a good revival. Our esteemed state overseer, Rev. Bascom Stanley, did the preaching. The results were eighteen saved, fifteen sanctified, twelve filled with the Holy Ghost, and three added to the church. We had a baptismal service in our church, as we have a baptistry. Rev. L. C. Pennington, our pastor, preaches the old-time doctrine in its fulness. Pray for us.—W. M. Ford, Hobbs, N. Mex.

We had a two weeks' revival at Bowling Green, Ky. Brother Iran G. Pruitt, our pastor, did the preaching. There were three saved, one baptized with the Holy Ghost, and two added to the church. Pray that the Lord will continue to bless us.—John Hubbard, clerk.

We had a wonderful youth revival at Aaron, Ga., conducted by Gloris Griffen, of Hazlehurst, Ga. Many were blessed. There were five saved, two sanctified, and one filled with the Holy Ghost. The revival spirit is still prevailing and the church is growing. We appreciate our pastor and wife. They have been a blessing to our church.—Mrs. Sudie Thompson, Port, Ga.

A great revival came to a close at S. Gastonia, N. C., Sunday night. There were sixty-seven saved, forty-seven sanctified, thirty-three filled with the Holy Ghost, and thirty-three united with the church. It was the greatest revival ever held in S. Gastonia, and was the best I ever attend-

ed. God is blessing our work here. Fifty-two have united with the church this year.

We had 324 in Sunday School Sunday. It is reported we have the largest attendance of any church in town on Sunday evenings. Brother and Sister Wineberger and son were the evangelistic party, and they were good. Several were healed as the power of God fell. On the last night of the revival, there were thirty or forty in the altar crying to God for help.—Ray Collins, pastor.

A wonderful revival at Nicholls, Ga., was conducted by Sister Margaret Jacobs and her co-worker, Sister Southern. Many were blessed. There were ten saved, five sanctified, and five filled with the Holy Ghost. Sister Jacob's soul-stirring messages were a blessing to both the young and old. Remember us in prayer. We want the revival spirit to burn until Jesus comes.—Mrs. Myrtice Wolfe.

We praise the Lord for having blessed our church with a glorious and most successful revival, conducted by Brother C. B. Donahue. Truly all who attended these services were blessed by God's holy presence and power, and the divinely inspired messages brought by His humble and consecrated servant. The Christians have renewed zeal and determination to work for God. Nineteen were saved and nine baptized with the Holy Ghost. We believe many more who were so fearfully convicted will come to Christ. May the Lord continue to anoint our brother with these much-needed messages and bless him in all his faithful labors for the Master, granting that our church will be a light in this city until Jesus comes.—Mrs. A. L. Waters, clerk, Bristol, Tenn.

We have just closed a wonderful revival at the Hillside Church of God. Sister Mae Terry was the evangelist. God blessed in a wonderful way. The altar was filled each night as Sister Terry gave out the gospel under the anointing of the Holy Ghost. She has a great burden for the lost and would be a great blessing to any church fortunate enough to get her. There

were thirty-five saved, twenty-four sanctified, eleven filled with the Holy Ghost, and thirty-two added to the church.

The Lord has blessed us greatly this year, this being our second good revival. We have almost doubled our membership since the Assembly, for which we humbly give the Lord all the praise.

I thank God, too, for the good people here. They are to be appreciated for the way they show their loyalty to God and His Church. We don't feel worthy of all His blessings, but we are giving the Lord all the praise.—Rev. R. F. Wilson, pastor, Cobbtown, Ga.

Statesville, N. C., is reporting a three weeks' revival, conducted by Sister Minnie Hillhouse. The Lord blessed in every service. There were twelve saved, eight sanctified, four filled with the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church. The revival spirit is still prevailing and the Lord is with us in a great way.—Mrs. Vallie Lambert.

We thank and praise the Lord for the good revival at Tennille, Ga., conducted by Brother Roy Harris. There were several saved, some sanctified, and six added to the church. We are planning another revival in the near future. Please pray that many souls will pray through to victory.—Rev. Joe Cleghorn, pastor.

I am indeed happy to report the revival which closed last Sunday night at the East Washington Street church. It ran four weeks and everyone wanted it to continue, but another meeting was announced for the evangelists. We were privileged to see the church filled to its capacity and most of the time there was a crowd on the outside. We had a loud-speaker installed for their convenience. It was the greatest revival the church here has ever had. There were one hundred and six saved, forty-nine sanctified,

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and forty-eight filled with the Holy Ghost, and so far twelve have been baptized in water, with others to be baptized; eighteen were united with the church and others are planning to join.

Our evangelist was twelve-year-old Orville Moses, Jr., assisted by his father, Orville Moses, Sr. They make a perfect evangelistic team. Brother Orville, Jr., is, by far, the best child evangelist I have heard. He stirs the hearts of all, young and old alike, with old-time, straight-forward preaching under the anointing of the power of God.

We are planning to build a new church and when we get it finished

we want to have them back for another revival. Brother Moses, Sr., is blessed of God in the ministry of healing. There were many healed in the services, also. His address is Rev. Orville Moses, Sr., 1820 Lopez Road, Bakersfield, Calif.—Rev. H. L. Diffie, pastor.

We praise the Lord for His blessings. We have just closed a revival, with Brother Joel Brown doing the preaching. God surely blessed. Brother Brown brought some soul-stirring messages. There were thirteen saved, nine sanctified, six filled with the Holy Ghost, and four added to the church. Brother Brown is a man given to

prayer and anyone needing an evangelist would do well to get him.—Rev. A. L. Gardin, pastor.

Reporting the revival at Indian Creek, we had a wonderful time. There were seven saved, three sanctified, and two filled with the Holy Ghost. Brother Clarence Wood, of Bible Training School and College, Sevierville, Tenn., did the preaching.—Rev. Charlie Smith, pastor.

We thank the Lord for the good revival at Mayadon, N. C. Brother John Bowen did the preaching. Several were saved and some are still seeking the Holy Ghost.—Mrs. S. Z. Harris.

HEFLIN, ALABAMA, CHURCH OF GOD



This picture of the Heflin Church of God was taken on dedication day, June 14. For twelve years we tried to build here, but the opposition was so strong until we were hindered. We were denied, by all who had vacant lots for sale, a suitable building site because we were Church of God Holiness. A friend of the Church was able to purchase a lot within one block of Main Street, which he sold to the Church to build on. Our church is made of cement blocks

and plastered inside. We praise God for a man like Rev. G. D. Garner, our pastor, who was willing to give of his time and means to build this church after so many others had given up hope of ever building here. The battle has been hard and testing, but we really thank and praise God for a faithful few who held on, for God has truly answered.—Fred W. McWhorter, Y.P.E. president.

PATHS TO PEACE

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in the class mentioned in Rev. 22:19, and that the Lord has taken their part out of the book of life and out of the holy city, because they have taken away the WORDS OF THE BOOK, they have kept the word from the people.

A GOOD SHEPHERD

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answer to God at the day of judgment.

Jesus also said, "I was an hungred; and ye gave me no meat." There are sheep starving to death for the lack of hearing the life-giving Word. Too many sermons are ruined by light, chaffy, funny wisecracks, instead of "thus saith the Lord." The pulpit is not a place for funny papers.

Remember, God told Ezekiel that if he failed to warn the people, their blood would be required at his hand. If we are not careful, we shall be preaching to tickle their ears, instead of preaching to save their souls. I am afraid the devil is working a trick on our ministers by having us to be light-hearted and chaffy, when this is the time that we ought to be serious, as there is a great challenge to the churches and pastors. We are challenged on juvenile delinquency. Remember, Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." We, as shepherds, should take this very seriously, as the old wolf is lurking to trap our young people. Our youth are confronted with every kind of temptation the devil can put before them. They are constantly in need of our prayers and advice. These are the little lambs that Jesus said if you offend, it would be better if a millstone were tied around your neck and you were cast into the sea. A good shepherd will watch and pray with these little lambs, and will not always be ready to criticize and club them for every little fault they have. A shepherd that neglects his little lambs will soon lose his flock.

Jesus set the example of keeping His flock. In His prayer to the Father He said that He had lost but one, and that was the son of perdition. Say, pastor, how many have you lost this year? It seems that some pastors take delight in turning their sheep out. But Jesus said if one go astray does he not leave the ninety and nine and go after that one that is gone astray, and when he findeth it he rejoiceth more over it than over the ninety and nine that went not astray? It is easier to turn people out than it is to get them.

If we love our flock, we will not want to turn them out. We will cry and pray and plead with God to spare them. May God give us knowledge of how to keep our flock instead of to turn them out.

Jesus said he that is an hireling fleeth when he seeth the wolf coming, and the wolf catcheth the sheep. But, brother pastor, let us be good shepherds and fight the wolf, and keep our sheep, then when we answer to the Lord we can say, with Jesus, that we have kept all, and He will say, "Well done, thou good and faithful servant."

THE SECRET OF PRAYER

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Next, we want to notice "how to pray." Mark 11:24, 25, "Therefore I say unto you, What things soever ye desire, when ye pray, believe that ye receive them, and ye shall have them. And when ye stand praying, forgive if ye have ought against any: that your Father also which is in heaven may forgive you your trespasses." We see here that Christ was talking to His disciples, who were holy, righteous people, that feared God. So it applies to those of our day. If we would have our prayers answered, we must live holy, righteous lives, and forgive one another. Jer. 29:13, "And ye shall seek me, and find me, when ye shall search for me with all your heart." Friends, if you need Jesus or need a blessing from Him, this is how to find it, "Seek with all your heart."

How shall we get a prayer answered? If there was ever a time when we needed and wanted to get a prayer answered, it is during these days. God's Word is being fulfilled every day, more and more. We need to examine ourselves. Could we stand before the Son of man as holy and righteous beings, if He should come now? Praise His holy name. There is a

warning in St. John 5:39, "Search the scriptures for in them ye think ye have eternal life: and they are they which testify of me." Dear ones, only a heartfelt salvation will stand, such as Peter, James, and John had. Earnestly seeking God in prayer will give us that experience. Praise God. 1 John 3:22, "And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments, and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." If we will do God's way, we will see our prayers answered as never before. We notice in Acts 1:4, 14, and 2:1 that when the disciples had gathered themselves together in Jerusalem to wait for the promise of the Father, they were all with one accord. Today we need to come together with one accord and do the things that are pleasing to God. Then we can ask whatsoever we will, believing, and we shall receive it.

What kind of prayer is not answered? Psa. 66:18, "If I regard iniquity in my heart, the Lord will not hear me." Oh, that we may search our hearts daily, to see if they are pure in God's sight, so that we may be able to get a prayer through to Him. Many are unsaved and need prayer that will reach the throne of God. There will be many sons and daughters in the judgment crying against their parents for giving them the wrong teaching. Prov. 28:9, "He that turneth away his ear from hearing the law, even his prayer shall be abomination." No doubt, disobedience to God's law is the reason for all the distress in the world today. Let us remember what we must do to get our prayers answered: seek God with all our hearts; keep God's commandments and do His will; pray continually; forgive and love one another; fear and love God with all your hearts. Prayer locked the jaws of the lions, delivered Daniel, and has done many wonderful things. God is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

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THE TOBACCO TRAFFIC

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more cigarettes than before the war, and show little signs of tapering off. The Department of Agriculture discloses: "Cigars, though losing in popularity, still average thirty-six each year for every American."

Dr. Charles L. Barber recently said, before the American Association of Medical and Physical Research, "A baby born of a cigarette-smoking mother is poisoned and may die within two weeks of birth. Post mortem shows a degeneration of the liver, heart, and other organs. Sixty per cent of babies born of mothers who are habitual cigarette smokers die before they are two years old."

Dr. Haven Emerson, of Columbia University, states that mortality due to the diseases of the arteries has increased 663 per cent in the last fifty years. The use of tobacco is an important factor in those statistics.

Dr. W. H. Dobson, of Berkley, California, compiled the data that lung cancer is attributed to cigarette smoking; the tar he says is the inducing factor. He bases his conclusion upon two facts. First, that the tar when applied to the ears of a rabbit is 100 per cent effective in causing cancer. Second, that lung cancer has increased with the increase in cigarette smoking. From 1930 to 1942, cigarette consumption in the United States doubled, and death rate from cancer of the respiratory system tripled, increasing from 3,848 in 1930 to 10,947 in 1942.

Thomas A. Edison denounced cigarettes as producing a degeneration of the cells of the brain which is permanent and uncontrollable.

Dr. William James Mayo, internationally renowned, made this statement before a group of surgeons, "Gentlemen, it is customary, as we all know, to pass around cigars after dinner, but I shall not do it. I do not smoke and I do not approve of smoking. If you will notice, you will see that the practice is going out among the ablest of surgeons at the top. No surgeon can afford to smoke."

The great baseball man, Connie Mack, said, "We do everything in our power to discourage cigarette smoking among our boys, knowing the great harm that tobacco has done to those in the habit of using it."

Ex-President Herbert Hoover once stated, "There is no agency in the world which is so seriously affecting the health, education, efficiency, and

character of boys and girls as the cigarette habit. Nearly every delinquent boy is a cigarette smoker. Cigarettes are a source of crime. To neglect crime at its source is a short-sighted policy, unworthy of a nation of our intelligence."

The testimonies of the foregoing world-famed characters should be enough to convince anyone of the fallacy of believing there is no harm in using tobacco. We need not even consult the Scriptures regarding this, because the effects that produce a sad end should be enough within themselves to show us it is wrong and harmful.

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